

Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held Monday, October 12, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

Mayor Holton called the meeting to order.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Holton and Vice Mayor Kilmer; Commissioners Joslin (6:44p.m.), Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

Work Session – Proposed 2010 Budget

City Manager Grinzinger and Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Nancy Ridley gave a presentation on the proposed 2010 budget.

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James Holton, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 12, 2009 at 7:01 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

Mayor Holton called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Holton and Vice Mayor Kilmer; Commissioners Joslin, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger, City Clerk Howard and City Attorney Smith

Public Input on Agenda Items

Hudson Keenan, 1409 E. High Street, spoke in support of preserving and rehabilitating the Oak Street Bridge.

John Hunter, 995 Meadowbrook, Sid Smith, Smith Equities, 108 S. University, Ste. 6; David Burdette, CMU Vice President/CFO Finance & Administrative Services; and Jim Moreno, 1015 Andre Street, spoke in opposition to the MDOT Mission Street proposal.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (July)
2. Correspondence from LaBelle Management expressing opposition and concerns regarding the proposed MDOT Mission Street project.
3. Street Activity Report (July)
4. Water Activity Report (September)

Removed item 9 "Consider resolution to revoke a 1999 IFT Exemption Certificate for MLT, Inc." from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner Joslin to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the work session and regular meeting held September 28, 2009 and the closed session held September 28, 2009.

2. Bid of Duperon Corp of Saginaw, Michigan in the amount of \$51,900 for the purchase of a screenings washer/compactor by the Waste Water Treatment facility.
3. Adopt policy for Identity Theft Prevention Program. (City Commission Exhibit 3-2009)
4. Payrolls dated 10/2/09 and warrants dated 9/30/09 and 10/8/09 all totaling \$848,429.31.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Commissioner Tillman to approve the bid of C&L Trucking and Excavating of Ionia, Michigan in an amount not to exceed \$224,500 and allocate an additional \$11,500 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Access Recreation Trail Pathway project.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioners McGuire and Palmer

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner McGuire to approve the bid of Miller Development of Weidman, Michigan in the amount of \$195,726 for the rehabilitation of the Oak Street Bridge.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioners Palmer

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to receive application from Prism Analytical Technologies, Inc., for a new IFT Exemption Certificate; and set a public hearing for Monday, October 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner McGuire to approve the following Resolution to Revoke Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate of MLT, Inc.

WHEREAS, MLT, INC has previously made an application and was approved for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate under Public Act 198 of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said certificate was approved by the Michigan State Tax Commission in the amount of \$30,000 for personal property; and

WHEREAS, said certificate was given the number 1999-149 by the Michigan State Tax Commission with an effective date of 1999 to **2011**; and

WHEREAS, no information on this personal property exemption has ever been provided to the City of Mount Pleasant by MLT, INC; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Pleasant has been made aware that the Michigan State Tax Commission has requested that the City of Mount Pleasant recommend the revocation of this certificate; and

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Public Act 198 of 1974, specifically known as Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 207.565 (2) provides that, "The legislative body of a local governmental unit may by resolution request the commission to revoke the industrial facilities exemption certificate of a facility upon the grounds that, ... the purposes for which the certificate was issued are not being fulfilled ...";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

The City Commission, as the legislative body, of the City of Mount Pleasant does, pursuant to Section 15 of Public Act 198 of 1974, request that the Michigan State Tax Commission revoke certificate number 1999-149 given to MLT, INC on the basis that MLT, INC has not fulfilled the purposes for which the certificate was issued.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Commissioner Palmer to thank the MDOT for their effort to redesign Mission Street, but decline approval to fund the City portion so that the project does not move forward. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Joslin to set public hearing on the Proposed 2010 Operating Budget for Monday, November 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to approve the following Resolution approving traffic control order No. 10-09.

WHEREAS, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant requests that the City Commission issue traffic control order No. 10-09 (remove flashers at Main and Broadway; remove flashers at Main and Michigan; and install 4 Way stop signs at Broadway and Washington Streets and leave flashing overhead red light for a short period of time.) Said traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on October 12, 2009, for review and after reviewing said control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves traffic control order No. 10-09 as a permanent traffic control order.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling and Palmer

NAYS: Commissioners Tilmann

ABSENT: None

Resolution adopted.

#### Announcements on City Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Tilmann thanked City staff for all their assistance with her daughter's wedding in City Hall Chambers.

Commissioner McGuire announced that the Mt. Pleasant Homecoming Parade was cancelled on Friday night and was held instead on Saturday with CMU's Homecoming Parade. He would like to encourage the school to move their parade back downtown.

Commissioner Ling went to a planning conference and heard very positive comments about what is happening in Mt. Pleasant.

#### Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Rachel Sherwood, 1308 Elm Street, introduced herself as a candidate for City Commissioner and looks forward to the League of Women Voters debate and answering questions.

Don Tyler, 210 W. High Street, spoke on concerns with high gas prices in Mt. Pleasant.

Jim Moreno, 1015 Andre, thanked the Commission for voting against the MDOT's Mission Street redesign plan; encouraged City to expand Owner-Occupied Residential Incentive Program to include entire City; announced County has started efforts of sustainability and continuity and is happy to see that the City has as well; invited the commission, staff and residents to join Isabella County Council of Governments facebook page; and is looking forward to league of Women Voters candidate forum.

Mayor Holton adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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James Holton, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk